GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has opened a separate window under RIDF through amendment in the Central Road Fund Act for rural roads;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount spent from such corpus of funds during the current financial year so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) to (c): The Central Road Fund (Amendment) Act, 2007, an Act further to amend the Central Road Fund Act, 2000, has been published on 4.6.2007 in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section I, as Act No.28 of 2007. After the said amendment, a Memorandum of Agreement among Government of India (Ministry of Rural Development), National Rural Roads Development Agency (NRRDA) and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has been signed on 27th September, 2007. NABARD has agreed to provide a loan of Rs.16, 000 crore through a separate window under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) for funding Rural Roads component of Bharat Nirman. From this RIDF Window of NABARD, a sum of Rs.1001.90 crore has been drawn upto 30.11.2007.